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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For MARCH 1968 (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT

Collision of motor vehicle with	Number of Accidents: Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Number of Persons: Total Killed	Injured: Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	274	0	124	141	10	187	76	88	23
2. Overturned on road	22		13	9		15	5	8	6
3. Pedestrian	17	2	15		2	16	4	10	2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	463	3	127	333	3	203	45	88	70
5. Parked motor vehicle	90		14	76		15	6	9	
6. Railroad train	6	1	1	4	1	3		3	
7. Bicyclist	4		4			5	2	2	1
8. Animal	45		8	37		10	1	7	2
9. Fixed object	86	1	28	57	3	30	21	14	4
10. Other object	2		2			3	1	2	
11. Other non-collision									
12. Misc.	1			1					
Totals	1010	16	336	658	19	500	161	231	108

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF Statewide ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving motor vehicles resulting in death or injury or property damage of $100 or more

- [ ] In the accident
- [x] To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available

June 11, 1968

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Montana Highway Patrol

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS

Collision of motor vehicle with	Same Month Last Year: All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	This Year to Date: All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	Same Period Last Year: All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	Change Cumulative Death Record
1. Ran off road	283	6	156	714	17	304	761	10	389	+70 %
2. Overturned on road	5		1	45	4	20	17		8	+Inf %
3. Pedestrian	18	3	15	40	2	41	51	4	52	-50 %
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	775	9	270	2051	4	737	2107	14	766	-71 %
5. Parked motor vehicle	58		21	305		40	246		51	-100 %
6. Railroad train	5	2	3	16	2	7	15	3	11	-33 %
7. Bicyclist	2		2	7		8	4		4	-100 %
8. Animal	36		7	120		18	100		42	-100 %
9. Fixed object	101	1	41	375	6	142	270	3	113	+100 %
10. Other object	3			1					2	-100 %
11. Other non-collision	1			2		1	3		2	-100 %
12. Misc.	3			3		1	12		1	-100 %
Totals	1293	21	530	3691	35	1390	3672	34	1421	+ 3 %

2B MILEAGE RATES

	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	35	34	3 %
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	946	7[illegible]	7.3 %
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles	4.1	4.3	4.6 %
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles	3.3	3.6	-8 %
5. Fatal Accidents	31	29	11 %
6.			%

3. LOCATION

		A. Traffic ways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc. — Number of Accidents: Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Number of Persons: Killed	Injured	B. Traffic ways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc — Number of Accidents: Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Number of Persons: Killed	Injured
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	4. 50,000 to 100,000	149	1	52	96	1	67						
	5. 100,000 to 250,000												
	6. 250,000 or more												
	7.												
	8.												
	Total urban	433	2	126	305	2	172						
RURAL: All locations other than those above.	1. Controlled access highway	37	1	13	23	1	15						
	2. State routes & U.S.	320	6	115	199	8	176						
	3. County routes	220	7	82	131	8	137						
	4. Other												
	5. Not stated												
	Total rural	577	14	210	353	17	328						
	Total urban and rural	1010	16	336	658	19	500						

5. TIME

Hour beginning	Total: All	Fatal	Monday: All	Fatal	Tuesday: All	Fatal	Wednesday: All	Fatal	Thursday: All	Fatal	Friday: All	Fatal	Saturday: All	Fatal	Sunday: All	Fatal	Not stated: All	Fatal
Before Noon 0. Midnight	51	2	7		6		1		7		7	1	16	1	7			
1. 1 00	54	3	3		1		2		6		8		20	2	14	1		
2. 2 00	45	1	4		2		4		3	1	7		9		16			
3. 3 00	20		1		2		1		3		1		7		5			
4. 4 00	15		2								2		5		6			
5. 5 00	6		1						1		1		2		1			
6. 6 00	17		2		1		1		3		3		3		4			
7. 7 00	31		6		4		3		5		8		2		3			
8. 8 00	39		10		9		4		6		8				2			
9. 9 00	21		3		1		1		4		6		2		4			
10. 10 00	43	1	9		5	1	4		4		6		11		4			
11. 11 00	34		7		3		4				9		7		4			
After Noon 12. Noon	48	2	5		4		3		5	1	11	1	8		12			
13. 1 00	43		8		8		2		5		9		5		6			
14. 2 00	45	1	6		5		2		1		9		11		11	1		
15. 3 00	61	1	8		5		13		12	1	6		10		7			
16. 4 00	91		11		8		9		16		17		17		13			
17. 5 00	74	1	6		6		12		12		13		13	1	12			
18. 6 00	50	1	3		6		6		5		11		6		13	1		
19. 7 00	47	1	5		2		9		4		10	1	10		7			
20. 8 00	49	2	4		2		7		6		11	1	12		7	1		
21. 9 00	45		3		7		2		4		9		7		13			
22. 10 00	39		4		3		1		5		12		11		3			
23. 11 00	41		3		2		2		5		13		10		6			
24. Not stated	1								1									
Totals	1010	16	121		92	1	93		123	3	197	4	204	4	180	4		

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4 AGE OF CASUALTY

	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1 0 to 4										13	5	8	5	3	2			
2 5 to 9										14	9	5	4	4		2	1	1
3 10 to 14										22	13	9	2	2		2	1	1
4 15 to 19	3		3	1	1					146	93	53	1		1	1	1	
5 20 to 24	3	3								106	79	27	3	3				
6 25 to 34	1			1	1					74	58	16	2	2				
7 35 to 44	2	2								46	24	22						
8 45 to 54	1	1								35	26	9						
9 55 to 64										24	17	7						
10 65 to 74	1		1							15	11	4						
11 75 & older										5	4	1	1	1				
12 Not stated																		
Totals	10	14	5	2	2					500	339	161	17	14	3	5	2	3

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

	A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc
At Intersection	1. Entering at angle	166	1	46	119
	2a. From same direction – both going straight	2		1	1
	b. Same – one turn, one straight	5			5
	c. Same – one stopped	25		13	12
	d. Same – all others				
	3a. From opposite direction – both going straight				
	b. Same – one left turn, one straight	32		6	26
	c. Same – all others				
	4. Not stated				
	Totals	230	1	66	163

	B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc
Not at Intersection	1. Going opposite direction – both moving	50	2	20	28
	2. Going same direction – both moving	73		21	52
	3a. One car parked	91		14	77
	b. One car stopped in traffic	66		18	48
	4a. One car entering parked position	1			1
	b. One car leaving parked position	31		1	30
	5a. One car entering alley or driveway	1			1
	b. One car leaving alley or driveway	11		2	9
	6. All others				
	7. Not stated				
	Totals	324	2	76	246

	C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
			Total	Intersection	Non-intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-intersection
	1 Car going straight	16	2		2	14	2	12
	2 Car turning right							
	3 Car turning left	1				1	1	
	4 Car backing							
	5 All others							
	6. Not stated							
	Totals	17	2		2	15	3	12

	D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS		Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersections	Collision with	1 Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.	2		2	
		2 Fixed object in road	10		2	8
		3 Overturned in road	1			1
		4 Left road	16		10	6
Not at Intersections	Collision with	5 Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.	7	1	3	3
		6 Fixed object in road	80	1	27	52
		7 Overturned in road	21		13	8
	Left road	8 At curve	121	6	61	54
		9 Straight road	133	3	51	79
	10. Fell from moving vehicle					
	11. All others		48		10	38
	12. Not stated					
	Totals		439	11	179	249

7 PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured								
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older
1a. Crossing or entering roadway – at intersection		5		3		1				1
b. Same – not at intersection		9	4	1	2	1		1		
2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic		1					1			
b. Same – against traffic										
3. Standing in roadway		1	1			1				
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway										
6. Other working in roadway										
7. Playing in roadway		2	1		1					
8. Other on roadway		3		2	1					
9. Not in roadway	1	2					1	1		
10. Not stated		1						1		
Totals	2	24	5	6	4	3	2	3		1

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	27	1	10
2 16	55		22
3 17	88	2	33
4 18 to 19	170	3	51
5 20 to 24	302	5	114
6 25 to 34	272	2	79
7 35 to 44	214	2	63
8 45 to 54	167	3	45
9 55 to 64	112		31
10 65 to 74	56		16
11 75 & older	29	1	8
12 Not stated			
Totals	1492	19	472

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1 Male	1178	17	383
2 Female	313	2	89
3 Not stated	1		
Totals	1492	19	472

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1 [illegible] resident	1195	12	368
2 Residing elsewhere in state	206	4	74
3 Other than [illegible] state	91	3	30
4 Not stated			
Totals	1492	19	472

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1361	16	410
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	162	2	51
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	18		4
5. Other truck combination	22		9
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		
7. Taxicab	2		2
8. Bus	1		1
9. School bus	3		1
10. Motorcycle	18	1	13
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	4		1
Totals	1593	19	492
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)	3		1
14. Military vehicles	1		1
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	2		

13 ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	817	13	288
2. Wet	80	3	20
3. Snowy or icy	105		25
4. Other	7		3
5. Not stated	1		
Totals	1010	16	336

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	433		125
2. Not built-up	577	16	211
3. Not stated			
Totals	1010	16	336

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	547	6	157
2. Dawn or dusk	53	1	18
3. Darkness	409	9	161
4. Not stated	1		
Totals	1010	16	336

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11 CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1 Speed too fast	225	2	101
2 Failed to yield right of way	100	2	28
3. Drove left of center	20		5
4 Improper overtaking	10		2
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	16		7
7 Followed too closely	28		10
8. Made improper turn	10		1
9 Other improper driving	16	2	7
10. Inadequate brakes	10		5
11 Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	25		16
Totals	462	6	182

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SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** MARCH 1968

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	1		
2. Clear	825	15	286
3. Raining	33		7
4. Snowing	99		27
5. Fog	3		
6. Other	49	1	16
Total	1010	16	336

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Straight road—level	718	6	215
3. Straight road—hillcrest	11		2
4. Straight road—on grade	114	3	44
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	70	1	34
7. Curve—hillcrest	4		3
8. Curve—on grade	71	5	31
9. Curve—not stated	20	1	7
Total	1010	16	336

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	183	1	44
2. Farmers or farm laborers	96	3	25
3. Students	360	6	124
4. Sales persons	46		23
5. Commercial drivers	87		29
6. Military personnel	49	1	17
7. Housewives & domestic servants	190	1	52
8. Retired & pensioners	57	1	18
9. All other workers	424	6	140
Total	1492	19	472

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	99	7	33
2. Received classroom training in school	5		1
3. Received behind the wheel training	4		3
4. Received both classes of training	145	3	49
5. No driver training	770	9	293
Total	1023	19	379

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	7		1
2. HBD—obviously drunk	17	1	10
3. HBD—ability impaired	39		23
4. HBD—ability not impaired	32		17
5. HBD—not known if impaired	105	9	49
6. Had not been drinking	751	5	249
7. Not known if drinking	72	4	30
Total	1023	19	379

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	8		4
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	12	1	7
4. Loose material on surface	40	1	19
5. Under construction or repair	5		2
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	12		6
8. No defects	624	14	238
Total	701	16	276

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	218		43
2. Equipped with in use	216	2	57
3. Equipped with not in use	454	5	157
4. Not equipped with	604	12	215
Total	1492	19	472
1. Not stated	716	3	172
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	178	10	106
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	73	2	35
4. SB did not or could not have helped	525	4	159
Total	1492	19	472

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	514	12	209
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	187	4	67
3. Not stated			
Total	701	16	276
1. Not stated	116		40
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	120	8	62
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	16		6
5. No speed violation	814	11	285
Total	1076	19	393
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	30	1	10
2. Hit & run accidents	4		2

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2. Overturned on road	1		1			1		1	
3. Pedestrian	14	1	13		1	14	3	10	1
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	295	1	80	214	1	120	20	52	48
5. Parked motor vehicle	70		13	57		14	5	9	
6. Railroad train	1			1					
7. Bicyclist	3		3			4	1	2	1
8. Animal	2			2					
9. Fixed object	30		9	21		11	8	2	1
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SUMMARY OF URBAN ACCIDENTS

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3. Pedestrian	11	1	10	35	1	37	36	2	36	-100 %
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	485		147	1330	1	387	1369		391	+Inf %
5. Parked motor vehicle	46		17	250		38	202		44	NC %
6. Railroad train	4	2	3	5		1	6	2	5	-100 %
7. Bicyclist	1		1	6		7	2		2	NC %
8. Animal				3		54				NC %
9. Fixed object	44		16	156		1	129	2	57	-100 %
10. Other object				1						NC %
11. Other non-collision				1			1			NC %
12 Misc.										%
Totals	605	3	202	1827	2	544	1792	7	552	- 71 %

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4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles		NA	%
5. Fatal Accidents	2	5	-60 %
6.			%

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1. 1 00	28		1				1		4		5		10		7			
2. 2 00	9						2				2		3		2			
3. 3 00	10				1		1		1				4		3			
4. 4 00	5										1		2		2			
5. 5 00																		
6. 6 00	2		1												1			
7. 7 00	11		2						2		6		1					
8. 8 00	17		6		4		3		3		1							
9. 9 00	10		1		1				3		3		1		1			
10. 10 00	17		2		1		2		2		3		5		2			
11. 11 00	16		1		1		3				6		4		1			
After Noon: 12. Noon	20		3		3		2		2		4		3		3			
13. 1 00	27		5		6		1		4		5		4		2			
14. 2 00	23				4		2		1		6		5		5			
15. 3 00	29		3		1		9		6		4		6					
16. 4 00	45		8		3		2		9		10		6		7			
17. 5 00	41		3		5		6		11		7		4		5			
18. 6 00	19	1	3		3		1		2		4		3		3	1		
19. 7 00	16	1	1		1		5				2	1	4		3			
20. 8 00	18		2				1		5		2		5		3			
21. 9 00	15		1		3		1		2		4		1		3			
22. 10 00	18		2		1		1		2		6		6					
23. 11 00	16		2		2				2		3		5		2			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	433	2	50		41		44		64		87	1	89		58	1		

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4 AGE OF CASUALTY

	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										6	3	3	5	3	2			
2. 5 to 9										9	7	2	4	4		2		2
3. 10 to 14										9	4	5	1	1		2	1	1
4. 15 to 19										45	25	20	1		1			
5. 20 to 24	1	1								38	28	10	1	1				
6. 25 to 34	1	1		1	1					16	11	5	1	1				
7. 35 to 44										19	6	13						
8. 45 to 54										12	5	7						
9. 55 to 64										9	5	4						
10. 65 to 74										6	5	1						
11. 75 & older										3	2	1	1	1				
12. Not stated																		
Totals	2	2		1	1					172	101	71	14	11	3	4	1	3

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning etc is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc
At Intersection: 1. Entering at angle	120	1	36	83
2a. From same direction – both going straight	2		1	1
b. Same – one turn, one straight	5			5
c. Same – one stopped	25		13	12
d. Same – all others				
3a. From opposite direction – both going straight				
b. Same – one left turn, one straight	25		5	20
c. Same – all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	177	1	55	121

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc
Not at Intersection: 1. Going opposite direction – both moving	15		7	8
2. Going same direction – both moving	25		5	20
3a. One car parked	70		13	57
b. One car stopped in traffic	47		12	35
4a. One car entering parked position	1			1
b. One car leaving parked position	21			21
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	1			1
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	9		2	7
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	189		39	150

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents		Non-Fatal Injury Accidents	
		Total	Intersection	Total	Intersection
1. Car going straight	13	1	1	12	2
2. Car turning right					
3. Car turning left	1			1	1
4. Car backing					
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	14	1	1	13	3

O ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS		Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc
At Intersections: Collision with	1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle etc	2		2	
	2. Fixed object in road	10		2	8
3. Overturned in road					
4. Left road		3		3	
Not at Intersections: Collision with	5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle etc	1		1	
	6. Fixed object in road	21		7	14
7. Overturned in road		1		1	
Left road	8. At curve	5		2	3
	9. Straight road	8		1	7
10. Fell from moving vehicle					
11. All others		2			2
12. Not stated					
Totals		53		19	34

7 PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured								
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 64	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection		5		3		1				1	
b. Same – not at intersection		7	4	1	1			1			
2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic											
b. Same – against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway		2	1		1						
8. Other in roadway		3		2	1						
9. Not in roadway	1	2					1	1			
10. Not stated											
Totals	1	19	5	6	3	1	1	2		1	

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	17		6
2. 16	29		10
3. 17	51		20
4. 18 to 19	92		22
5. 20 to 24	160	1	55
6. 25 to 34	103		22
7. 35 to 44	104	1	25
8. 45 to 54	81	1	19
9. 55 to 64	61		18
10. 65 to 74	25		9
11. 75 & older	17		5
12. Not stated			
Totals	740	3	211

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	541	2	161
2. Female	198	1	50
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	740	3	211

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Out of province	682	2	194
2. Province of residence in province	40	1	13
3. Province of residence out of province	18		4
4. Not stated			
Totals	740	3	211

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	735	1	201
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	70	1	19
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	1		
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Taxicab	2		2
8. Bus			
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	12	1	8
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated			
Totals	821	3	230
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles	1		
15. Other publicly owned vehicles			

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	375	2	118
2. Wet	31		4
3. Snowy or icy	24		3
4. Other	2		1
5. Not stated	1		
Totals	433	2	126

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	421		123
2. Not built-up	12	2	3
3. Not stated			
Totals	433	2	126

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	261		74
2. Dawn or dusk	18	1	7
3. Darkness	153	1	45
4. Not stated	1		
Totals	433	2	126

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11 CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	62		23
2. Failed to yield right of way	64	1	21
3. Drove left of center	2		
4. Improper overtaking	2		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	12		5
7. Followed too closely	22		7
8. Made improper turn	7		
9. Other improper driving	5	1	3
10. Inadequate brakes	3		2
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	10		6
Totals	189	2	67

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF URBAN **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** MARCH 1968

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	1		
2. Clear	376	2	114
3. Raining	10		1
4. Snowing	30		6
5. Fog	1		
6. Other	15		5
Total	433	2	126

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Straight road—level	378	2	106
3. Straight road—hillcrest	1		
4. Straight road—on grade	38		14
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	9		2
7. Curve—hillcrest			
8. Curve—on grade	3		2
9. Curve—not stated	2		2
Total	433	2	126

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	109		27
2. Farmers or farm laborers	24	1	4
3. Students	214		64
4. Sales persons	20		7
5. Commercial drivers	20		5
6. Military personnel	23		7
7. Housewives & domestic servants	119	1	28
8. Retired & pensioners	28		9
9. All other workers	183	1	60
Total	740	3	211

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	56	2	20
2. Received classroom training in school			
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	61		15
5. No driver training	303	1	104
Total	420	3	139

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	4		
2. HBD—obviously drunk	6		4
3. HBD—ability impaired	11		6
4. HBD—ability not impaired	10		5
5. HBD—not known if impaired	27	1	10
6. Had not been drinking	348	1	108
7. Not known if drinking	14	1	6
Total	420	3	139

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	2		
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	1		1
4. Loose material on surface	1		
5. Under construction or repair			
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	237	2	83
Total	241	2	84

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	144		31
2. Equipped with in use	89		23
3. Equipped with not in use	227		62
4. Not equipped with	280	3	95
Total	740	3	211
1. Not stated	443	2	106
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	16		16
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	9		5
4. SB did not or could not have helped	272	1	84
Total	740	3	211

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	197	2	70
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	44		14
3. Not stated			
Total	241	2	84
1. Not stated	80		29
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	18		8
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit			
5. No speed violation	355	3	115
Total	453	3	152
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	5		1
2. Hit & run accidents	1		

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For MARCH (Month or other period) 1968

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	257	9	117	131	10	179	71	86	22
2. Overturned on road	21		12	9		18	5	7	6
3. Pedestrian	3	1	2		1	2	1		1
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	168	2	47	119	2	83	25	36	22
5. Parked motor vehicle	20		1	19		1	1		
6. Railroad train	5	1	1	3	1	3		3	
7. Bicyclist	1		1			1	1		
8. Animal	43		8	35		10	1	7	2
9. Fixed object	56	1	19	36	3	28	13	12	3
10. Other object	2		2			3	1	2	
11. Other non-collision									
12. Misc.	1			1					
Totals	577	14	210	353	17	328	119	153	56

Collision of Motor vehicle with

Note The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF RURAL ACCIDENTS

Least reportable accidents are those involving death or personal injury or property damage of $100. or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available to June 11, 1968

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	269	6	151	676	17	376	716	9	371	+ 89 $
2. Overturned on road	5		1	43		28	15		7	NC $
3. Pedestrian	7	2	5	5	2	4	15	2	16	NC $
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	290	9	131	721	4	350	798	14	375	- 71 $
5. Parked motor vehicle	12		4	55		2	43		7	NC $
6. Railroad train	1			11	2	6	9	1	8	+100 $
7. Bicyclist	1		1	1		1	2		2	NC $
8. Animal	36		7	126		18	109		22	NC $
9. Fixed object	57	1	25	202	7	60	150	1	56	+600 $
10. Other object	6		2	10		8	9		2	NC $
11. Other non-collision	1		1	1		1	2		2	NC $
12. Misc.	3			3	1	1	12		1	-100 %
Totals	688	18	328	1854	33	855	1880	27	869	+ 22 %

Collision of Motor vehicle with

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	33	27	+22 %
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)		NA	
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles		NA	
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles		NA	
5. Fatal Accidents	29	23	+26 %
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more people and all those classified as urban by respective state officials												
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban												
RURAL: All locations other than those above. 1. Controlled access highway	37	1	13	23	1	15						
2. State routes & U.S.	320	6	115	199	8	176						
3. County routes	220	7	82	131	8	137						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	577	14	210	353	17	328						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
Hour beginning	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon 0. Midnight	30	2	4		5				4		4	1	9	1	4			
1. 1:00	26	3	2		1		1		2		3		10	2	7	1		
2. 2:00	36	1	4		2		2		3	1	5		6		14			
3. 3:00	10		1		1				2		1		3		2			
4. 4:00	10		2								1		3		4			
5. 5:00	6		1						1		1		2		1			
6. 6:00	15		1		1		1		3		3		3		3			
7. 7:00	20		4		4		3		3		2		1		3			
8. 8:00	22		4		5		1		3		7				2			
9. 9:00	11		2				1		1		3		1		3			
10. 10:00	26	1	7		4	1	2		2		3		6		2			
11. 11:00	18		6		2		1				3		3		3			
After Noon 12. Noon	28	2	2		1		1		3	1	7	1	5		9			
13. 1:00	16		3		2		1		1		4		1		4			
14. 2:00	22	1	6		1						3		6		6	1		
15. 3:00	32	1	5		4		4		6	1	2		4		7			
16. 4:00	46		3		5		7		7		7		11		6			
17. 5:00	33	1	3		1		6		1		6		9	1	7			
18. 6:00	31				3		5		3		7		3		10			
19. 7:00	31		4		1		4		4		8		6		4			
20. 8:00	31	2	2		2		6		1		9	1	7		4	1		
21. 9:00	30		2		4		1		2		5		6		10			
22. 10:00	21		2		2				3		6		5		3			
23. 11:00	25		1				2		3		10		5		4			
24. Not stated	1								1									
Totals	577	14	71		51	1	49		59	3	110	3	115	4	122	3		

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4 AGE OF CASUALTY

	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1 0 to 4										7	2	5						
2 5 to 9										5	2	3						
3 10 to 14										13	9	4	1	1				
4 15 to 19	11	8	3	1	1					101	68	33				1	1	
5 20 to 24	2	2								68	51	17	1	1				
6 25 to 34										58	47	11	1	1				
7 35 to 44	2	1	1							27	18	9						
8 45 to 54	1	1								23	21	2						
9 55 to 64										15	12	3						
10 65 to 74	1		1							9	6	3						
11 75 & older										2	2							
12 Not stated																		
Totals	17	12	5	1	1					328	238	90	3	3		1	1	

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersection: 1. Entering at angle	46		10	36
2a. From same direction – both going straight				
b. Same – one turn, one straight				
c. Same – one stopped				
d. Same – all others				
3a. From opposite direction – both going straight				
b. Same – one left turn, one straight	7		1	6
c. Same – all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	53		11	42

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Not at Intersection: 1. Going opposite direction – both moving	35	2	13	20
2. Going same direction – both moving	48		16	32
3a. One car parked	21		1	20
b. One car stopped in traffic	19		6	13
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	10		1	9
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	2			2
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	135	2	37	96

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents		Non-Fatal Injury Accidents	
		Total	Intersection / Non-intersection	Total	Intersection / Non-intersection
1. Car going straight	3	1	1	2	2
2. Car turning right					
3. Car turning left					
4. Car backing					
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	3	1	1	2	2

O ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS		Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersections: Collision with	1. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.				
	2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road		1			1
4. Left road		13		7	6
Not at Intersections: Collision with	5. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.	6	1	2	3
	6. Fixed object in road	59	1	20	38
7. Overturned in road		20		12	8
Left road	8. At curve	116	6	59	51
	9. Straight road	125	3	50	72
10. Fell from moving vehicle					
11. All others		46		10	36
12. Not stated					
Totals		386	11	160	215

7 PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE

	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured								
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection											
b. Same – not at intersection		2			1	1					
2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic		1					1				
b. Same – against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway	1	1				1					
4 Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated		1						1			
Totals	1	5			1	2	1	1			

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	10	1	4
2. 16	26		12
3. 17	37	2	13
4. 18 to 19	78	3	29
5. 20 to 24	142	4	59
6. 25 to 34	169	2	57
7. 35 to 44	110	1	38
8. 45 to 54	86	2	26
9. 55 to 64	51		13
10. 65 to 74	31		7
11. 75 & older	12	1	3
12. Not stated			
Totals	752	16	261

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1 Male	637	15	222
2 Female	115	1	39
3 Not stated			
Totals	752	16	261

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1 Local residence	513	10	174
2 Reside elsewhere in state	166	3	61
3 Residence out of state	73	3	26
4 Not stated			
Totals	752	16	261

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	626	15	209
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	92	1	32
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	17		4
5. Other truck combination	22		9
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		
7. Taxicab			
8. Bus	1		1
9. School bus	3		1
10. Motorcycle	6		5
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	4		1
Totals	772	16	262
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)	3		1
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	2		

13 ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	442	11	170
2. Wet	49	3	16
3. Snowy or icy	81		22
4. Other	5		2
5. Not stated			
Totals	577	14	210

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	12		2
2. Not built-up	565	14	208
3. Not stated			
Totals	577	14	210

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	286	6	83
2. Dawn or dusk	35		11
3. Darkness	256	8	116
4. Not stated			
Totals	577	14	210

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	163	2	78
2. Failed to yield right of way	36	1	7
3. Drove left of center	18		5
4 Improper overtaking	8		2
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	4		2
7 Followed too closely	6		3
8. Made improper turn	3		1
9 Other improper driving	13	1	4
10. Inadequate brakes	7		3
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	15		10
Totals	273	4	115

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SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF RURAL **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** MARCH 1968

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	449	13	172
3. Raining	23		6
4. Snowing	69		21
5. Fog	2		
6. Other	34	1	11
Total	577	14	210

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	340	4	109
3. Straight road—hillcrest	10		2
4. Straight road—on grade	76	3	30
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	61	1	32
7. Curve—hillcrest	4		3
8. Curve—on grade	68	5	29
9. Curve—not stated	18	1	5
Total	577	14	210

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	74	1	17
2. Farmers or farm laborers	72	2	21
3. Students	146	6	60
4. Sales persons	26		16
5. Commercial drivers	67		24
6. Military personnel	26	1	10
7. Housewives & domestic servants	71		24
8. Retired & pensioners	29	1	9
9. All other workers	241	5	80
Total	752	16	261

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	43	5	13
2. Received classroom training in school	5		1
3. Received behind the wheel training	4		3
4. Received both classes of training	84	3	34
5. No driver training	467	8	189
Total	603	16	240

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	3		1
2. HBD—obviously drunk	11	1	6
3. HBD—ability impaired	28		17
4. HBD—ability not impaired	22		12
5. HBD—not known if impaired	78	8	39
6. Had not been drinking	403	4	141
7. Not known if drinking	58	3	24
Total	603	16	240

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	8		4
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	10	1	7
4. Loose material on surface	39	1	18
5. Under construction or repair	4		2
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	12		6
8. No defects	387	12	155
Total	460	14	192

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	74		12
2. Equipped with in use	127	2	34
3. Equipped with not in use	227	5	95
4. Not equipped with	324	9	120
Total	752	16	261
1. Not stated	273	1	66
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	162	10	90
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	64	2	30
4. SB did not or could not have helped	253	3	75
Total	752	16	261

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	317	10	139
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	143	4	53
3. Not stated			
Total	460	14	192
1. Not stated	36		11
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	102	8	54
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	16		6
5. No speed violation	459	8	170
Total	614	16	241
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	25		9
2. Hit & run accidents	3		2